

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 25, lines 1-4, amend Table 1 as follows:

Table 1

Primer	Sequence with restriction cleavage site	Product	Plasmid
metY-EVP5	5'-CTAATAAGTCGACAAAGGAGGACA Sall ACCATGCCAAAGTACGAC- 3' (SEQ ID NO:3)	metY (1341 bp)	pCREmetY
metY-EVP3	5'-GAGTCTAATGCATGCTAGATTGCA NsiI GCAAAGCCG 3' (SEQ ID NO:4)		
metA-EVP5	5'-AGAACGAATTCAAAGGAGGACAAC EcoRI CATGCCCACCCTCGCGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:5)	metA (1161 bp)	pCREmetA
metA-EVP3	5'-GTCGTGGATCCCCTATTAGATGTA PstI GAACTCG-3' (SEQ ID NO:6)		

On page 32, lines 11-12, amend Table 3 as follows

Table 3

Strain	OD(660)	Methionine mg/l
DSM5715	6.6	1.4
DSM5715/pCREmetY	8.3	16.0

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Page 46, (Abstract), please replace the abstract in its entirety with the attached substituted abstract.

Please replace the Sequence Listing filed on November 21, 2001 with the attached substitute Sequence Listing.